

Minutes of the 1 May 2006 Regular Meeting of the  
Park and Recreation Committee of the RTM

Committee members present:

Pat D'Arinzo  
James Howe  
David Maloof  
Cheryl Russell, Chair  
William Tamme

Michele De Rocco  
Andrew Hunter  
Lee Pratt  
Gary Swenson  
Penne Weicker

Committee members absent:

Stephen Alliegro  
Barry Gidseg

Michele Gartland  
Jennifer Sommer

Having a established a quorum was present, Ms. Russell called the meeting to order at 735p.

Minutes of the Committee's 6 February 2006 meeting were approved.

The Committee then discussed the proposed changes to Chapter XIV of the Boats and Harbours Charter and Ordinances. The proposed changes would:

- Insert "Town Code of Ordinances" before "state statues and regulations" in Sec 61 – Penalties. This change incorporates penalties outlined in the town's ordinances;
- Delete the exisiting language in Sec 62 – Enforcement, and insert in its place "Any police officer of Darien shall have the authority to enforce...this Act." This change eliminates the existing reference to a "special constable" enforcing the ordinances and gives that authority to the town police; and
- Delete the requirement in Sec 63 for the Harbour Master to submit a annual report to the RTM and replace it with a requirement that the Harbour Master report annually to the Board of Selectmen.

**The Committee voted 10 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend the RTM approve the proposed changes.**

The Committee then discussed proposed changes to Ch. 5 of the Town Code of Ordinances. The proposed changes include:

- Numerous changes of a technical and/or conforming nature; and

- One substantive change, which will limit the number of boats “rafting” together on a single mooring to three. This proposal is intended to reduce damage to mooring balls in the town’s harbours and coves.

**The Committee voted 10 in favor, 0 opposed to recommend the RTM approve the proposed changes.**

The P&R portion of the 2006-2007 budget was then discussed. **The Committee voted 9 in favor, 1 opposed to recommend the RTM approve the P&R portion of the budget.** The dissenting member voted in the negative because funds for the Community Band and for preliminary development of the Diller property were cut from the budget

In her Chair’s report, Ms Russell noted Pear Tree Beach would be receiving new sand this year. The Committee was also informed that the proposed location of the comfort station to be donated by Fox Hill Builders at Cherry Lawn Park has been changed slightly to minimize traffic hazards.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.

/signed/ William J. Tamme,  
Clerk